

United States Department of Agriculture,

OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY.

NOTICE OF JUDGMENT NO. 677, FOOD AND DRUGS ACT.

MISBRANDING OF COFFEE.

On or about April 14, 1910, Young Brothers, Incorporated, Seattle, Wash., shipped from the State of Washington to the State of Idaho a quantity of coffee which was labeled "Red Gate Mocha and Java Coffee. Roasted and packed by Young Brothers (Inc.), Seattle, Wash." Samples of this product were procured and analyzed by the Bureau of Chemistry, United States Department of Agriculture, and as it appeared from the findings of the analyst and report thereon that the product was misbranded within the meaning of the Food and Drugs Act of June 30, 1906, the Secretary of Agriculture afforded said Young Brothers, Incorporated, and the party from whom the samples were procured opportunities for hearings. As it appeared after hearings held that the said shipment was made in violation of the act, the Secretary of Agriculture reported the facts to the Attorney-General, with a statement of the evidence upon which to base a prosecution.

On August 30, 1910, a criminal information was filed in the District Court of the United States for the Western District of Washington, charging the above shipment and alleging that the product so shipped was misbranded, in that the label above set forth would deceive and mislead the purchaser, said label conveying the impression that the product was composed of Mocha and Java coffee, whereas in truth and in fact said product was a blend of South American and Dutch East Indian coffees.

On September 19, 1910, the defendant entered a plea of guilty to the above information and the court imposed a fine of \$20 and costs.

This notice is given pursuant to section 4 of the Food and Drugs Act of June 30, 1906.

W. M. HAYS,
Acting Secretary of Agriculture.

WASHINGTON, D. C., November 1, 1910.

